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SUBJECT: HUMAN RIGHTS CONGRESSIONAL CORRESPONDENCE: JOSE  
AKSELRAD (144/77/10)

ARGENTINA PROJECT (S200000044)

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1. PURSUANT TO YOUR INQUIRY CONCERNING THE  
DISAPPEARANCE OF JOSE AKSELRAD, THE EMBASSY MADE A FORMAL  
REQUEST ON OCTOBER 31, 1977 TO THE ARGENTINE FOREIGN OFFICE  
REGARDING HIS DISAPPEARANCE. THE FOREIGN OFFICE'S WORKING  
GROUP ON HUMAN RIGHTS HAS JUST INFORMED US THAT THE GOVERNMENT  
OF ARGENTINA HAS NO RECORD OR THE DETENTION OF MR. AKSELRAD,  
NOR ANY INFORMATION REGARDING HIS WHEREABOUTS.

2. THE US CONGRESSIONAL INTEREST IN THIS CASE HAS BEEN  
COMMUNICATED TO THE FOREIGN OFFICE. THE CASE WILL CONTINUE  
TO BE MONITORED BY THE EMBASSY AND WE WILL CONTACT YOU REGARDING  
ANY FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS.

3. SINCERELY YOURS, RAUL CASTRO, AMBASSADOR.  
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